1	2	3	4	5	6	7
	Position of Sundry Debtors as on 31.3.2006					
1.	Ashok Hotel, New Delhi	826.76	384.38	248.81	662.83	2122.78
2.	Hotel Jaipur Ashok, Jaipur	2.22	0.44	0.63	2.86	6.15
3.	Hotel Jammu Ashok, Jammu	0.14	0.01	0.26	4.27	4.68
4.	Hotel Janpath, New Delhi	185.56	77.06	50.86	280.39	593.87
5.	Hotel Kalinga Ashok, Bhubaneshwar	—	1.93	2.50	6.14	10.57
6.	Lalitha Mahal Palace Hotel, Mysore	2.42	0.48	2.78	47.15	52.83
7.	Hotel Pataliputra Ashok, Patna	44.90	—	27.45	19.95	92.30
8.	Hotel Samrat, New Delhi	21.08	68.24	11.48	222.57	323.37
	TOTAL :	1083.08	532.54	344.77	1246.16	3206.55

*Others include Licencees, Travel Agents, Card Holders etc.

Development of Deoghar in Jharkhand

241. MS. MABEL REBELLO: Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that Deoghar which is a religious place of Hindus in Jharkhand has no physical infrastructure *viz.* proper road, railway connectivity to go to this shrine although 4-5 million people go there annually during the month of *Sawan*;

(b) whether her Ministry have any special plan to develop the physical infrastructure of this to develop spiritual tourism in this State; and

(c) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF TOURISM (SHRIMATI AMBIKA SONI): (a) to (c) Development and promotion of tourism is undertaken primarily by the State Governments/UT Administrations. The Ministry of Tourism, Government of India, extends financial assistance to the State Governments/ UT Administrations for tourism related projects including Pilgrim Tourism which are identified in consultation and interaction with them under schemes for Integrated Development of Tourist Circuits, Product/Infrastructure Development of Destinations and Assistance to Large revenue generating

Projects. A project for development of Deoghar has been sanctioned in 2005-06 for Rs. 417.54 lakh.

The following projects have been prioritized for the year 2006-07 in consultation with the State Government of Jharkhand:—

Destination:	1. Rajmahal 2. Parasnath
Circuit:	1. Ranchi-Ramgarh-Rajarappa-Tenughat-Hazaribagh-Padma-Itkhori
Festival/Event:	1. Hajaribagh Festival 2. Air Show Ranchi 3. Hijla 4. Jagannath Rath Yatra
Rural Tourism:	1. Amadubi, Distt.-Singhbhum 2. Kharsavan, Distt. Saraikela-Kharsavan

Project proposals for prioritized circuits/destinations that are complete in all respect are examined as per guidelines and approved on the basis of inter-se priority and funds released subject to availability under respective head.

List of projects sanctioned to the State of Jharkhand during the years 2003-04, 2004-05, 2005-06 and 2006-07 is enclosed at Statement.

Statement

Projects sanctioned to the State of Jharkhand during the years 2003-04, 2004-05, 2005-06 and 2006-07

(Rs. in lakh)

Sl. No.	Name of Project/Scheme	Amount sanctioned
1	2	3
	2003-04	
1.	Integrated Development of Madhubani and Parasnath in Giridih (ITDC) (Dest. Dev.)	393.00
2.	Integrated Development Jamshedpur-Ranchi-Betla-Daltonganj-Ranchi-Jamshedpur Tourist Circuit in Jharkhand (State Govt.) (Tourist Circuit)	716.00
	Total	**1109.00**

1	2	3
	2004-05	
1.	Integrated Development of Massanjore (Distt. Dumka)	493.25
2.	Development of Tirthenkar—Boddhisatwa Circuit	494.57
	Total	**987.82**
	2005-06	
1.	Hazaribagh Cultural-cum-Adventure Festival, 2006	5.00
2.	Adventure Tourism Festival, 2005 Ghatshila, Jamshedpur	4.20
3.	Hijla Tribal Rural Festival, 2006 at Dumka	2.50
4.	Integrated Development of Tourist Circuit Ranchi-Netarhat-Betla-Ranchi	798.00
5.	Integrated Development of Deoghar (Distt. Deoghar) under Destination Development Scheme	417.57
	Total	**1227.27**
	2006-07	
1.	Integrated Development of Tourist Circuit 'Ranchi-Rajrappa-Hazaribagh-Itkhori' in Jharkhand	775.78
	Total	**775.78**

Ranking of India as Tourist Destination

242. DR. K. MALAISAMY: Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that India was voted as the fourth most popular tourist destination in the world ranking above South Africa and Switzerland;

(b) whether the entire potentiality of tourism on various areas of India have been fully studied through a reputed global consultant in this context;

(c) if not, whether it is likely to be done expeditiously to prepare a road map and to employ innovative approach to exploit the new area of potentiality in tourism; and